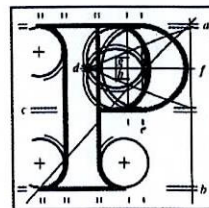


Our Case Number: ABP-316051-23

Planning Authority Reference Number:



**An
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Nuala Farrington
Hillview
Raheen
Moate
Co. Westmeath
Co. Westmeath
N37 E122

Date: 25 April 2023

Re: Renewable energy development comprising 9 no. wind turbines and associated infrastructure.
Umma More and adjacent townlands, County Westmeath.

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Bord Pleanála has received your observation or submission in relation to the case mentioned above and will take it into consideration in its determination of the matter. Please accept this letter as a receipt for the fee of €50 that you have paid.

Please be advised that copies of all submissions / observations received in relation to the application will be made available for public inspection at the offices of the Local Authority and at the offices of An Bord Pleanála when they have been processed by the Board.

For further information on this case please access our website at www.pleanala.ie and input the 6-digit case number into the search box. This number is shown on the top of this letter (for example: 303000).

Yours faithfully,

Kevin McGettigan
Administrative Assistant
Direct Line: 01-8737263

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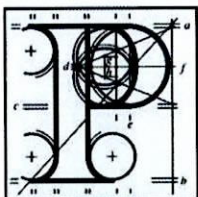
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Observation on a Strategic Infrastructure Development Application

Observer's details

1. Observer's details (person making the observation)

If you are making the observation, write your full name and address.

If you are an agent completing the observation for someone else, write the observer's details:

(a) Observer's name

Nuala Farrington

(b) Observer's postal address

Hillview, Raheen, Moate, Co Westmeath N37 E122

Agent's details

2. Agent's details (if applicable)

If you are an agent and are acting for someone else **on this observation**, please **also** write your details below.

If you are not using an agent, please write "Not applicable" below.

(a) Agent's name

Click or tap here to enter text.

(b) Agent's postal address

Click or tap here to enter text.

Postal address for letters

3. During the process to decide the application, we will post information and items to you or to your agent. For this **current application**, who should we write to? (Please tick ✓ one box only)

You (the observer) at the postal address in Part 1

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The agent at the postal address in Part 2

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Details about the proposed development

4. Please provide details about the **current application** you wish to make an observation.

- (a) **An Bord Pleanála case number for the current application (if available)**
(for example: 300000)

316051

- (b) **Name or description of proposed development**

Umma More Wind Turbine development

- (c) **Location of proposed development**

(for example: 1 Main Street, Baile Fearainn, Co Abhaile)

Umma More, Westmeath

Observation details

5. Grounds

Please describe the grounds of your observation (planning reasons and arguments). You can type or write them in the space below. There is **no word limit** as the box expands to fit what you write.

You can also insert photographs or images in this box. (See part 6 – Supporting materials for more information).

My family and I have lived in Raheen townland for 16 years, my children have grown up here. What attracted us to the area was the peace and quiet, the wildlife and the clean air, being conscious that it would be good for our health. At the time we purchased our house, just before the property crash, we overpaid for our house and only now is our house close in value to what we paid for it. We object to the proposed wind farm development in our area on the grounds of it being bad for our health, the flicker, the constant noise and sleep disturbance that these turbines are known to cause, not to mention the impact on wildlife. I also object based on the impact this windfarm development will have on the value of our property forever, as nobody wants to live near these turbines and there is a likelihood of it expanding in years to come once they gain access. I think this is so unfair that the natural beauty of our area is going to be destroyed if you let this go ahead, our beautiful walks and our homes are being taken away from us. This is an area where there is very little wind, as it is a valley and I don't see the benefit of this. It is known that these turbines will never reach capacity. I trust that you will take our objection into consideration and deny planning for this project.

Yours Sincerely;

Nuala, Joe, Conor and Orla Farrington

Supporting materials

6. If you wish, you can include supporting materials with your observation.

Supporting materials include:

- photographs,
- plans,
- surveys,
- drawings,
- digital videos or DVDs,
- technical guidance, or
- other supporting materials.

You can insert photographs and similar items in your observation details: grounds (part 5 of this form).

If your supporting materials are physical objects, you must send them together with your observation by post or deliver it in person to our office. You cannot use the online uploader facility.

Fee

7. You **must** make sure that the correct fee is included with your observation.

Observers (except prescribed bodies)

- strategic infrastructure observation is €50.
- there is no fee for an oral hearing request

Oral hearing request

8. If you wish to [request the Board to hold an oral hearing](#), please tick the “Yes, I wish to request an oral hearing” box below.

You can find information on how to make this request on [our website](#) or by contacting us.

If you do not wish to request an oral hearing, please tick the “No, I do not wish to request an oral hearing” box.

Yes, I wish to request an oral hearing

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No, I do not wish to request an oral hearing

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Final steps before you send us your observations

9. If you are sending us your observation using **the online uploader facility**, remember to save this document as a Microsoft word or PDF and title it with:

- the case number and your name, or
- the name and location of the development and your name.

This also applies to prescribed bodies sending an observation by email.

If you are sending your observation to us by post or delivering in person, remember to print off all the pages of this document and send it to us.

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Date		Date	

Notes